

rights of their citizens. Through common effort, we can make this gift of freedom a reality for all.

The United States applauds the people of Paraguay for their great accomplishment in resolving last year's constitutional crisis, and we welcome the central role of the Organization of American States in defending democracy in Paraguay. We commend the people and government of Guatemala for their success in forging a comprehensive peace accord, and we encourage the spirit of reconciliation that has firmly taken root throughout Central America. Americans continue to maintain a special consideration for the people of Haiti as they strive to consolidate their new democracy and set the stage for economic growth. Today, all of us must work together to encourage the one country—Cuba—that has not embraced our common purpose to join the community of democracies.

As the united standard bearers of democracy in the Western Hemisphere, we now approach a new century of unprecedented possibilities. Our vision is bold, and our expectations are high. Our cooperative spirit was nurtured through the Summit of the Americas, where we committed ourselves to free trade, representative democracy, relief from poverty, and respect for the environment. We are now collaborating closely with others in the hemisphere to prepare the agenda for the next Summit of the Americas, to be held in Santiago in March 1998. Never before has there been such a window of opportunity to promote a higher standard of living through improved access to quality education and adequate health care. Working together, we can prove that democracy provides the means for improving the daily lives of all the citizens of the Americas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim Monday, April 14, 1997, as Pan American Day and April 13 through April 19, 1997, as Pan American Week. I urge the Governors of the 50 States, the Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the officials of other areas under the flag of the United States of America to honor these observances with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eleventh day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-first.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

Proclamation 6988 of April 11, 1997

To Modify Application of Duty-Free Treatment Under the Generalized System of Preferences

By the President of the United States of America
A Proclamation

1. Sections 502(d)(1) and 503(c)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended by Public Law 104-188; 110 Stat. 1755, 1920, 1922 ("the 1974 Act")

(19 U.S.C. 2462(d)(1) and 2463(c)(1)), provide that the President may withdraw, suspend, or limit the application of the duty-free treatment accorded under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) with respect to any country and any article upon consideration of the factors set forth in sections 501 and 502(c) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2461 and 2462(c)). Pursuant to sections 502(d)(1) and 503(c)(1) of the 1974 Act and having considered the factors set forth in sections 501 and 502(c) of such Act, including, in particular, section 502(c)(5) (19 U.S.C. 2464(c)(5)) on the extent to which a designated beneficiary developing country is providing adequate and effective protection of intellectual property rights, I have determined that it is appropriate to suspend the duty-free treatment accorded under the GSP to certain eligible articles that are the product of Argentina, as provided in the Annex to this proclamation.

2. Section 604 of the 1974 Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2483), authorizes the President to embody in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) the substance of the relevant provisions of that Act, and of other acts affecting import treatment, and actions thereunder, including the removal, modification, continuance, or imposition of any rate of duty or other import restriction.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, acting under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including but not limited to sections 502(d)(1), 503(c)(1), and 604 of the 1974 Act, do proclaim that:

(1) In order to provide that Argentina should no longer be treated as a beneficiary developing country with respect to certain eligible articles for purposes of the GSP, the HTS is modified as provided in the Annex to this proclamation.

(2) Any provisions of previous proclamations and Executive orders that are inconsistent with the actions and provisions of this proclamation are superseded to the extent of such inconsistency.

(3) The modifications made by this proclamation shall be effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 30 days after the date of publication of this proclamation in the **Federal Register**.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eleventh day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and twenty-first.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

ANNEX

MODIFICATIONS OF TARIFF TREATMENT UNDER
THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES FOR
CERTAIN GOODS THE PRODUCT OF ARGENTINA

Effective with respect to articles both (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the date which is 30 days after the date of publication of this proclamation in the Federal Register, the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTS") is modified as set forth below:

(1) General note 4(d) to the HTS is modified by:

(a) inserting in numerical sequence the following HTS subheadings and the country set out opposite such subheadings:

0303.77.00	Argentina	7901.12.50	Argentina
0404.90.10	Argentina	8207.20.00	Argentina
0703.20.00	Argentina	8409.91.99	Argentina
3901.90.90	Argentina	8413.91.90	Argentina
3902.10.00	Argentina	8422.30.90	Argentina
3902.20.50	Argentina	8431.49.10	Argentina
3902.90.00	Argentina	8471.49.37	Argentina
3903.90.50	Argentina	8471.60.57	Argentina
3904.40.00	Argentina	8477.51.00	Argentina
3906.10.00	Argentina	8479.20.00	Argentina
3906.90.50	Argentina	8480.30.00	Argentina
3907.30.00	Argentina	8481.30.20	Argentina
3907.60.00	Argentina	8481.80.30	Argentina
3907.99.00	Argentina	8481.80.90	Argentina
3909.10.00	Argentina	8481.90.30	Argentina
3909.50.50	Argentina	8503.00.65	Argentina
3913.90.20	Argentina	8524.31.00	Argentina
3921.90.50	Argentina	8524.32.00	Argentina
3923.90.00	Argentina	8524.52.10	Argentina
4201.00.60	Argentina	8524.60.00	Argentina
4303.10.00	Argentina	8524.91.00	Argentina
4303.90.00	Argentina	8524.99.40	Argentina
4410.11.00	Argentina	8536.90.00	Argentina
4410.19.00	Argentina	8538.90.80	Argentina
4802.52.10	Argentina	8708.60.80	Argentina
7007.11.00	Argentina	8708.70.60	Argentina
7114.11.60	Argentina	8708.99.80	Argentina
7308.90.95	Argentina	8716.90.50	Argentina
7315.90.00	Argentina	9003.90.00	Argentina
7409.11.50	Argentina	9018.90.10	Argentina
7409.21.00	Argentina	9113.10.00	Argentina
7419.99.50	Argentina	9113.20.60	Argentina
7901.11.00	Argentina	9403.20.00	Argentina
		9403.50.90	Argentina

(b) inserting in alphabetical sequence the country set out opposite the following HTS subheadings:

1604.16.10	Argentina	2849.10.00	Argentina
1701.11.10	Argentina	2850.00.50	Argentina
2805.40.00	Argentina	2902.11.00	Argentina
2813.90.50	Argentina	2905.12.00	Argentina
2832.30.10	Argentina	2905.13.00	Argentina
2839.90.00	Argentina	2905.22.50	Argentina
2841.30.00	Argentina	2906.14.00	Argentina
2841.50.00	Argentina	2914.12.00	Argentina
2843.30.00	Argentina	2914.13.00	Argentina

ANNEX (cont.)

(1) (b) (cont.)

2915.70.00	Argentina	3305.90.00	Argentina
2917.14.50	Argentina	3307.20.00	Argentina
2918.21.50	Argentina	3307.49.00	Argentina
2918.22.10	Argentina	3401.11.10	Argentina
2918.22.50	Argentina	3504.00.50	Argentina
2929.10.15	Argentina	3506.99.00	Argentina
2932.99.90	Argentina	3701.10.00	Argentina
2933.40.30	Argentina	3702.10.00	Argentina
2933.90.55	Argentina	3706.10.30	Argentina
3209.90.00	Argentina	3707.90.32	Argentina
3301.19.10	Argentina	3822.00.50	Argentina
3301.90.10	Argentina	4011.10.10	Argentina
3302.10.10	Argentina	4411.11.00	Argentina
3302.10.20	Argentina	6910.90.00	Argentina
3302.90.10	Argentina	7202.21.50	Argentina
3303.00.30	Argentina	7202.30.00	Argentina
3304.20.00	Argentina	8409.91.50	Argentina
3304.99.50	Argentina	8409.99.91	Argentina
3305.10.00	Argentina	9403.60.80	Argentina

(2) For the following HTS subheadings, in the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn, delete the symbol "A" and insert an "A*" in lieu thereof:

0303.77.00	4410.19.00	8481.80.90
0404.90.10	4802.52.10	8481.90.30
0703.20.00	7007.11.00	8503.00.65
3901.90.90	7114.11.60	8524.31.00
3902.10.00	7308.90.95	8524.32.00
3902.20.50	7315.90.00	8524.52.10
3902.90.00	7409.11.50	8524.60.00
3903.90.50	7409.21.00	8524.91.00
3904.40.00	7419.99.50	8524.99.40
3906.10.00	7901.11.00	8536.90.00
3906.90.50	7901.12.50	8538.90.80
3907.30.00	8207.20.00	8708.60.80
3907.60.00	8409.91.99	8708.70.60
3907.99.00	8413.91.90	8708.99.80
3909.10.00	8422.30.90	8716.90.50
3909.50.50	8431.49.10	9003.90.00
3913.90.20	8471.49.37	9018.90.10
3921.90.50	8471.60.57	9113.10.00
3923.90.00	8477.51.00	9113.20.60
4201.00.60	8479.20.00	9403.20.00
4303.10.00	8480.30.00	9403.50.90
4303.90.00	8481.30.20	
4410.11.00	8481.80.30	

Proclamation 6989 of April 15, 1997

National Crime Victims' Rights Week, 1997

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

During National Crime Victims' Rights Week, Americans in communities across the country join together to honor victims and survivors, to remember their pain, and to recognize their many contributions to improving our criminal justice system and helping others affected by crime. It is also an occasion for us to acknowledge our significant progress in securing crucial rights and services for crime victims.

As we reflect on the events of this past year, we think of all our fellow citizens who became victims of crime on our streets, at home, in our neighborhoods, in our schools, in our workplaces, and even in our sacred places of worship. We remember the images of dozens of mostly African American churches being consumed in flames, and we recall